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SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following document be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AL PCT Application WO 01/25882

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AL was cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German Application. Since Reference AL is in English, no further commentary concerning its teachings is necessary.

A copy of Reference AL together with Form 1449 is submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

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All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of Reference AL. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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